

unanimous opinion that they should continue another year to give the organization a good start.

During the past several months that we have been organized, we have had two luncheons that were well attended, and we have had three meetings at which excellent papers have been prepared and read by the members. One paper by R. A. Pearse on carcinoma of the breast was most interesting. The essayist gave an enthusiastic report of the numerous cases, and illustrated the great amount of increased suffering that is always caused by operating on an inoperable carcinoma that has metastases far from the original tumor, presenting histories of such cases. Another paper by Odeem Luke on the relation of the general public to the present publicity given to venereal diseases and their prophylaxis opened up general discussion of the subject; as it applies locally with very promising effect. And at the last meeting E. A. Weymuller gave a very good paper on some of the minor details in acute and chronic endocarditis.

The members of the society all feel that the meetings have been very beneficial and the attendance has been good, although some of the members have long distances to travel. This difficulty has been overcome by having some of the meetings at the outside points.

Salt Lake County Medical Society (reported by L. J. Paul, acting secretary)—A meeting of the society was held January 26, at the Holy Cross Hospital, Salt Lake City. President John Z. Brown presided, with 49 members and 19 visitors present.

Four clinical cases were presented.

Applications for membership by Leland R. Cowan and Ralph M. Tandowsky were read and referred to the board of censors.

The meeting was then turned over to M. M. Nielson, chairman of the Holy Cross Hospital program committee. A. A. Kerr presented two clinical cases showing successful skin grafting, and discussed a case of acute purulent infection of the gall-bladder. Wilford W. Barber presented and discussed a case of coeliac disease and a case of intermittent subacute intestinal obstruction. The cases were discussed by Root, Stevenson, Tyree, and Brown. John W. Sugden discussed a clinical case and presented post-mortem specimens showing congenital polycystic kidneys. H. P. Kirtley discussed a clinical case of acute prolapse of the uterus in a primipara with forward displacement of "sixth" lumbar vertebra. Specimens were presented, and discussion given by H. P. Kirtley on a case showing absence of a cervix, as well as an absence of opening into the uterus in a patient of 23 years. W. G. Schulte discussed a case showing the value of pyelograms in nephrolithiasis.

The applications for membership of Alfred Blumberg and J. E. Day, having been favorably reported by the board of censors, were accepted by formal vote by the society.

The following committees were appointed:

Medical Liability Insurance Committee—F. A. Goeltz, chairman; Sol G. Kahn, S. D. Calonge.

Medico-Legal Committee—E. F. Root, chairman; H. P. Kirtley, J. C. Landenberger (three years); A. C. Behle, S. H. Allen, W. S. Ellerbeck (two years); M. C. Lindem, C. L. Shields, F. Leaver Stapfer (one year).

Following the meeting, the Sisters of the Holy Cross Hospital served apple cider and wafers.

Salt Lake County Medical Society Meeting of February 9, 1925—A regular meeting of the society was held February 9, at the Commercial Club, Salt Lake City, President John Z. Brown presiding. Members present, 48. Visitors, 3. No clinical cases.

Clinical Program—Frank B. Steele read a very interesting and instructive paper on the treatment of pneumonia, mainly taken from his own practice, corroborating much of the work reported in the literature. Discussion opened by Perry G. Snow and L. W. Snow.

John F. Sharp discussed very effectively the principal complications of pneumonia from the surgical standpoint, stressing especially the treatment of empyema. He contrasted the opened and closed methods of draining the empyema cavities. He strongly advocates the closed method, which he described in detail, presenting a case on

which both methods had been used. Discussion by Roy Groesbeck.

A letter from our oldest honorary member, Salathiel Ewing, thanking the society for the birthday remembrance to him which he stated was very, very much appreciated, was read.

Report of the medico-legal committee on the case against Spencer Wright was given by Chairman E. F. Root.

The following new members were elected to the society: Leland R. Cowan and Ralph M. Tandowsky.

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Nevada Notes (reported by C. E. Piersall, associate editor)—The staff of the Elko General Hospital met at the hospital staff rooms on January 13. The following officers were elected for the year 1925: Chief of staff, J. R. Eby; vice-chief of staff, C. E. Secor; secretary, John E. Worden.

Immediately following the staff meeting, was the meeting of the Elko County Medical Society, which was called to order by the vice-president, J. R. Eby. The officers for the year 1925 were elected, and are: President, A. C. Olmstead; vice-president, J. R. Eby; secretary-treasurer, John E. Worden.

Washoe County Medical Society (reported by Henry Albert, secretary)—The society met in regular session in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce February 9, President Muller presiding.

Program—Dr. Henry Albert presented a brief report on "The Immune Reaction to Smallpox Vaccination." Paper was discussed by Pickard and Morrison.

The paper of the evening was by C. P. Caples on "Genito-urinary Tuberculosis." Discussion by Lewis, Morrison, and Albert.

New Business—M. A. Robison presented a draft of a bill to create a state bureau of health in a department of public welfare. On motion, this was referred back to the committee for revision and resubmission at some future meeting.

Doctor Robison also referred to the County Hospital Bill. On motion, the following committee was appointed to assist in securing the passage of said bill through the legislature: Robison, Chairman, Robinson, Pickard, West, Morrison, McLean, and Caples.

Robison also referred to the following items, which are before the legislature for consideration: (1) To change the word "misdemeanor" in the Medical Practice Act to "gross misdemeanor." (2) To change the word "may," referring to revoking a license to practice, to "shall." (3) To prohibit the sale of paregoric and certain other drugs except on a physician's prescription.

There was a general discussion of the control of transmissible diseases. Dr. Samuels offered the following motion: That a committee be appointed to confer with the County Commissioners within twenty-four hours if possible, and demand that the County Isolation Hospital be put in proper condition to receive all kinds of communicable and infectious diseases at once, and that the results of the interview with the County Commissioners be published in both of the city dailies as paid advertisements, and that the bill for same be paid by the Washoe County Medical Society. Passed.

The following committee was appointed: Samuels, chairman, Pickard, Morrison, West, and Tees.

Attendance—Adams, Albert, Brown, Caples, Fuller, Lewis, Morrison, Muller, Pickard, Piersall, Robinson, Robison, Samuels, Stadherr, Thompson, Tees, Walker, and West.